

"Elwood" Sta. Barbara 12.12.1878

Dear Mr. Sampson - We reached our
home here on the ranch on the 3rd inst.
and were glad to breathe again the
healthy atmosphere of this Southern
country. The memory of our pleasant
visit among certain friends char-
ing and embracing us in this far
away corner of the world.

I was at work preparing my
collection of N. A. ferns for com-
munity. and for the first time
have made but very little of the
material. Much surprise at
finding it so large. Many of
them I fear I shall have dif-
ficulty in preserving. Still I
am encouraged by your kind
offer to aid me. to send you
my list. The mounted ones
I have not in my possession.

Would you supply me with
specimens of some of them. I
should be grateful - And when

from California forms come on with
send you further supplies of
them. And whatever else
I can do for you I shall
be most happy to do

Respectfully Yours
Amos P. Cooper

Would you like me to send you
living plants of our Santa Barbara
forms in this Spring. I would like
to do so if you wish I have
D.P.C.